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Dear Harold,

I gave my first lecture on the JFK assassination yesterday, and I have to admit that it went pretty well. In fact, I really enjoyed it. Originally I was only supposed to lecture to one history class, but word got around and I ended up speaking to an assembly of all the senior high students. When I explained that it would be hard for me to give a really convincing lecture and touch on most of the important points in a 50 minute class period, I was told not to worry about any time limit because the students would be excused from classes for as long as the lecture lasted. As a result, I ended up talking for about 1½ hours and then answered questions for about ½ hour. Now I've been asked to come back after Christmas vacation to speak to some of the political science classes not only about the assassination but also about the campaign tactics & political rhetoric of the 1960 election.

Well, I really didn't write just to tell you what's been happening to me lately, but to ask you a couple questions. I hate to bother you with trivial questions, especially when you're so busy with the Ray case, but you're the only person I know who is involved enough in the assassination investigations to maybe have the answers. Having only gotten into this thing about 2 years ago, I'm still a "novice" trying to accumulate as much knowledge & information as I can. I came across a bibliography on the JFK assassination — in fact Jim Lesar is given credit as having provided much of the information for the bibliography. Anyway, for

the past few months I've been writing to many publishing houses & distributers which are supposed to have most of the "major" works done on the assassination. I've run into some problems though because almost all the books I asked about are out of print. Not only that, many of the places I wrote to just never answered. I figured that since you have access to more information than I do, you might be able to give me some "leads" as to where I can get these books. The thing I really want to get is the right address to the Committee to Investigate Assassinations. From 2 different people I've got 2 addresses. I wrote to both addresses & never got a reply. Does this Committee still exist - & if so, how can I get in touch with it? also There are many books I want to get, but the 2 main ones are these:

"The Bastard Bullet: A search for legitimacy for Commission Exhibit 399" by Raymond Marcus

"Accessories After the Fact: The Warren Commission, The Authorities, & The Report" by Sylvia Meagher

I haven't had any success in getting these books so if you have any ideas how I can get them I'd love to hear them. an address I can use to get a subscription to Penn Jones' "Midlothian Mirror"?

Do you know of any way I can get

any other assassination films/photos – O.O. Nix etc.?

I'd really appreciate any help you can give me in tracking down those books etc.

Last but not least, what do you know about the death of William H. (Joe) Cooper. All I can find is that he was a Baton Rouge cop who had been involved in an investigation of JFK's assassination for the past ten years. I have heard through very unreliable sources – namely, scandal papers – that he was murdered in October after having found evidence linking the assassination to Naval Intelligence. I know better than to believe what I read in those papers so I thought I'd ask you if you know anything about Coopers work and his supposed murder.

Well, I've already imposed on your time too much. It's just that there's so much to know & I have so many questions, that I tend to get carried away. Thanks for anything you can do.

Best regards,
Karen